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Report Highlights:

The oilseed crushing plant at Brcko is expected to reopen in 2000, which should spur a production increase. Vegetable oil production should rise to about 4,000 metric tons, leaving a 44,000 metric ton deficit to be covered by imports.

Includes PSD changes: No
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Outlook for 2000

Total oilseed production in 2000 will likely rise as a result of efforts to restart the Bimal crushing plant in Brcko. This plant was one of the most modern industrial facilities in former Yugoslavia, with a pre-war capacity of 300 metric tons/day and processing capacity of 75,000 tons of raw material annually. Oil output capacity was 30,000 tons of edible oil per year. The plant has been out of service since the war broke out but is expected to reopen in 2000.

Production of rapeseed may increase by up to 30% while soybean production should remain constant. Sunflower production is likely to fall as a result of plant disease. In the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina¹ production remains insignificant.

Annual oil output is expected to rise to 4,000 tons, implying import demand of about 44,000 tons. Average per capita consumption should remain at the 1999 level of 12.8 to 13 liters. Import duties should stay at 5% ad valorem. Hungary and the United States should remain major sources of imported oil. Serbia's position as a supplier is questionable due to the unilateral export embargo that country has placed on foodstuff sales to FYROM, Montenegro, and Republika Srpska. Some imports from Croatia may be expected as a result of political changes in that country.

Overview of 1999

In 1999 oilseed production fell in comparison to 1998 by about 10%, mainly due to reduction in area. Rapeseed production rose while soybean and sunflowerseed production dropped. Soybean production dominated due to extension of loans by Soja Protein in Becej, a firm in Yugoslavia, and organization of production via producer cooperatives. Sunflower yields fell considerably due to plant disease outbreaks. Average yields for soybeans and rapeseed, however, rose due to better rainfall conditions (heavier and more uniformly distributed precipitation.) Overall production of oilseeds was however constrained by increased input prices, particularly for fertilizers, plant protectants, and fuel.

In 1999 all vegetable oil requirements were imported, both as finished products and as bulk refined oil for repacking and sale. Consumption rose in this year due to an influx of refugees from Yugoslavia during the NATO air campaign. Consumption of edible oil was higher in the Federation (70% of total) than in Republika Srpska (the remaining 30%.) Average per capita consumption was 12.8 liters overall, and was 10.5 liters/capita in Republika Srpska and 14.2 liters/capita in the Federation.

Vegetable oil imports were mainly sourced from Hungary, the United States, and Croatia. Exporting country official data indicate that in 1998 over 37 thousand metric tons of vegetable oil was exported to both entities in Bosnia-Herzegovina, of which about two-thirds of the total is estimated to have been smuggled and sold via the black market. Only 12,000 tons imported by the Federation was registered

¹ Under terms of the Dayton Agreement which ended the war in former Yugoslavia, Bosnia and Herzegovina is a state divided into two "entities" of approximately equal area. One is the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the other is the Bosnian Serb republic, called in Serbian (and commonly by the foreign community) Republika Srpska.

with customs authorities and the remainder was not recorded. With an import duty of 5%, this equals a minimum financial loss to the Federation government of approximately one million dollars in lost revenues. Losses of customs revenue to the Republika Srpska government have not been estimated.

Bosnia and Herzegovina: Oilseed Production, 1997-1999									
	1997			1998			1999		
	Area	Prod.	Yield	Area	Prod.	Yield	Area	Prod.	Yield
	ha.	mt.	mt/ha	ha.	mt.	mt/ha	ha.	mt.	mt/ha
Sunflower									
Rep Srpska	174	102	0.59	223	178	0.8	179	70	0.39
Federation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total BiH	174	102	0.59	223	178	0.8	179	70	0.39
Rapeseed									
Rep Srpska	1,558	1,904	1.22	555	811	1.46	767	1,264	1.65
Federation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total BiH	1,558	1,904	1.22	555	811	1.46	767	1,264	1.65
Soybean									
Rep Srpska	3,751	6,504	1.73	4,466	7,166	1.6	3,805	7,959	2.09
Federation	290	865	2.98	260	951	3.66	241	742	3.08
Total BiH	4,041	7,369	1.82	4,726	8,117	1.72	4,046	8,701	2.15

Sources: Republika Srpska Statistical Institute, Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina Statistical Institute

PSD Table						
Country:	Bosnia-Herzegovina					
Commodity:	Vegetable Oil					
		1998		1999		2000
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		01/1998		01/1999		01/2000
Crush	0	0	0	0	0	12
Extr. Rate	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.42
Beginning Stocks	0	5	0	5	0	5
Production	0	0	0	0	0	4
MY Imports	0	46	0	49	0	44
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	9	0	10	0	9
MY Imp. from the EC	0	2	0	1	0	2
TOTAL SUPPLY	0	51	0	54	0	53
MY Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Exp. to the EC	0	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial Dom. Consum	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food Use Dom. Consump.	0	46	0	49	0	48
Feed Waste Dom.Consum.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Dom. Consumption	0	46	0	49	0	48
Ending Stocks	0	5	0	5	0	5
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	0	51	0	54	0	53
Calendar Year Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calendar Year Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0

Vegetable Oil				
Bosnia-Herzegovina Imports as derived from available Exporter Data				
	Import	Import	Import	Import
	1997	1997	1998	1998
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	Metric Tons	\$1000	Metric Tons	\$1000
Austria	564	453	449	413
Belgium	63	49	73	59
Croatia	3,972	5,519	5,659	7,139
Czech Republic	2	2	6	6
Denmark	20	20	4	14
France	0	0	1	2
Germany	22	18	16	14
Greece	56	83	8	9
Hungary	12,935	10,686	16,109	15,167
Italy	2,185	1,948	1,178	1,220
Netherlands	601	449	1,518	1,248
Slovakia	7	6	0	0
Slovenia	3,329	2,595	3,373	2,794
Sweden	0	0	3	4
Switzerland	0	0	0	1
Turkey	343	293	28	34
United States	9,642	8,073	9,130	9,228
Yugoslavia	309	459	NA	NA
Total	34,050	30,653	37,555	37,352
Source: United Nations Statistics Division				

Vegetable Oil Contents:	
150710	Soya-bean oil crude, whether or not deg
150790	Refined soya-bean oil, not chemically m
150810	Ground-nut oil, crude
150890	Refined ground-nut oil not chemically m
150910	Olive oil, virgin
150990	Olive oil, fractions, refined, not chem
151000	Olive oil, fractions, blends, not chemi
151110	Palm oil, crude
151190	Palm oil or fractions simply refined
151211	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil, crude
151219	Sunflower or safflower oil, fractions si
151221	Cotton-seed oil crude
151229	Cotton-seed or fractions simply refined
151311	Coconut (copra) oil crude
151319	Coconut (copra) oil or fractions simply
151321	Palm kernel or babassu oil, crude
151329	Palm kernel & babassu oil, fractions, s
151410	Canola, rape, colza or mustard oil, cru
151490	Canola, rape, colza or mustard oil, fra
151511	Linseed oil, crude
151519	Linseed oil, fractions, refined not chem
151521	Maize oil crude
151529	Maize oil, fractions, refined not chemi
151530	Castor oil or fractions not chemically
151540	Tung oil or fractions not chemically mo
151550	Sesame oil or fractions not chemically
151560	Jojoba oil or fractions not chemically
151590	Veg fats, oils nes, fractions, not chem
151620	Veg fats, oils or fractions hydrogenate